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STATION : Munich, AB-43
REFERENCE :
SOURCE : HERRING and CIC/Munich
EVALUATION : (F-6)
SUBJECT : Heinrich RENNBERG

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1. Our informant, HERRING, (subject of MSC/RIR/302) proposed (and disapproved) for an operation penetrating the KPD Apparat has been discharged from CIC/Munich just before Christmas 1946. He has not yet been cleared by the denazification board but will be within the next 3-4 months. He now resides with his wife and 2 children in Vilshofen, Bavaria. He has visited AB-43 on 14 January 1947. During the conversation covering his experiences during ten month confinement, he happened to mention that his lawyer friend, Dr. ~~Walter~~ FRIEDL (see MSC/RIR/302, Para. 4-C) has made an acquaintance of one ~~Heinrich~~ RENNBERG, a former KPD member who travels between Munich and Dresden trying to establish an export-import firm between the Soviet and American Zones with headquarters in Dresden and in Munich. (This man advised HERRING against settling in the Soviet Zone if he does not want to be active in politics and intelligence work).

2. HERRING mentioned that RENNBERG was a member of KPD before the war and was later confined in a concentration camp; upon release by the Russians, RENNBERG became again active in the KPD until its merger with SPD. RENNBERG considers this forced merger as a clear indication that there is no KPD but as KPSU (Communist Party of the Soviet Union). He resents the fact of outside control for the KPD and feels himself in agreement with SPD.

3. AB-43 tried to check on RENNBERG through the Munich CIC. It was found that one of CIC informants knew RENNBERG and had suggested to CIC (Mr. SCHWARTZ) that RENNBERG be used to get information on the Soviet Zone. This CIC informant has asked RENNBERG what sort of information he can bring. RENNBERG said that he can bring a fairly extensive military information and addresses and names of Commanding Officers of the various units, inclusive of MVD and MGB, in Dresden.

4. RENNBERG is scheduled to return from Dresden before February.

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